MIDDLE SCHOOL GOOD TIMES

October 1984 PAW PAW MIDDLE SCHOOL — 20¢

Just an average Halloween at P.P.M.S. as students carry on with their work!

Student Council

Student council officers for the 84-85 school year are Ingrid Lacy, president, Doug Powless, vice-president, Rinda Teske, secretary, and Sheila Hughes, treasurer.

Representing the sixth grade are Nikki Finnerman, Doug Brucher, Brett Baney, Michelle Overton, and Jessica Brown. Alternates are Todd Klousterman, Bill McNeil, Tyler Silber, and Chris Stratton.

Representing the seventh grade are Jill Doornhaag, Sheri Smith, Andy Lumm, Laura Morrison, Matt Forster, Gina Blacksten and as alternates, Jane Mc Guire, Chris Frank, Michelle Osment, Heather Smith, Katrina Parmelee, and Mike Cox.

The eighth grade reps are Jennifer Lozon, Eric Greene, Kathy Triquet, Brad McKenzie, Heather Staniszewski, Mark Kruizenga, and Annette Brugh. Alternates are Anne Kussy, Kristin Schincariol, Kandy Pilarski, Cassy Meyer, Tisha Mitchell, and Danielle Essex.

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Happy Halloween!

REAGAN BEATS MONDALE

Ronald Reagan was the winner in the mock election held Oct. 22 . With some four hundred votes cast, Reagan-Bush beat Mondale-Ferraro by a wide margin.

The Democratic candidates pulled about 35% of the votes while two votes went to Papa Smurf, three to the milkman from Country Fresh, five to no one, three to Eddie Murphy, and one each to Nixon, Jeff Crouse, and Jesse Jackson.

Will the middle school election be a reflection of things to come? Wait until Tuesday to find out.

ski club

A new club will be starting at the middle school soon. Mrs. Smith, 6th grade English and math teacher, will be sponsoring a ski club for all interested students.

If you'd like to know more about the club, contact Mrs. Smith, Alex Stevens, or Jimmy Karban.

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Boys' basketball season will get underway right after Thanksgiving according to Mr. Erickson.

Cheerleading continues. Watch next issue for a list of those involved with the program.

Choir concert last night was a success and a delight to all who attended. See page 6 for details.

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BOO

Here it is. The usual Halloween warning. Don't walk the streets alone. Don't eat the candy until it has been checked. Know the people that you go to. Wear light colors. Be careful, be safe and be here tomorrow.

whatever

Whatever...

Only 54 days until Christmas- start shopping now! Get those catalogs out and start leaving them conspicuously open to the right pages.

Gum on the nose? A new balancing act? No, just Biz Farrell and Anne Kussy in Mr. Erickson's room -a method of gum use that prevents blowing bubbles!

Troy, what was that divine smell you wore to your sixth and seventh hour classes not too long ago? It was lovely.

Sometimes even parachutes don't perform like they should. Ask Barb Kerr.

6th gr. costumes

This year people have really got new ideas for what they'd like to be on Halloween. Their ideas ranged from ghostbusters and Indiana Jones to ninjas and soldiers, robots and monsters and mermaids, from movies to warriors to fantasy.

Some new originals include a fruit of the loom guy, and a hobo who eats bloodsuckers.

The majority of newer ideas are the new wave, knock em dead punks- which is what most of you said you'd be. Still though there are the usual things like cats, babies, and ghosts for Halloween. This Halloween be something wild and you'll be happy for sure!

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FACULTY FANTASY

The teachers and staff were polled to see what they'd like to be for Halloween. Mrs. Reinsch said she'd be a "frog." Mrs. Hughes would be "a witch." Mr. Erickson said he'd be a "pineapple" while Mr. Brill mentioned he'd be "James Lacy."

Mrs, Kalisiak would be a "gizmo." Mr. Cassell wants to be a nerd "be cause they have more fun." Mr.Pefley would be "an astronaut to explore new areas."

Mrs. Swanson said she'd be "Rip Van Winkle"becuase she could use twenty years of sleep. Mrs. Barrett would be "able to walk correctly." Mrs. Cusamano would be a "ghost."

Mrs. A. Smith would be "Jerry Faust with the National Championship." Mrs. Davidson would be "a doctor." Mr. Ruesink would be "good-looking," while Mrs. Matson would be"Wonder Woman."

Mr. Snyder said he'd be a "skeleton." Mrs. Heneghan would be " blood-sucking vampire bat." Mr. Zolp, on the slightly tamer side, would be "Jethro Bodine...from the Beverly Hillbillies."

Mr. Martin, perhaps overcome from so mcuh world history, would be a "mummy." Mr. Topp would be the "great Pumpkin." Mrs. Conolly would simply be a pumpkin, and Mr. Lutz would be a Ghostbuster!

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redskin basketball

Girls' basketball teams got off to a rough start . We had four home games and two away. October 2nd we were defeated by K'zoo Milwood at home. October 9th we played and lost to K'zoo South. However, October 18 our Redskins defeated Bangor in a B-team game, 22-4.

In the October 22 game, with K'zoo Hillside and the October 24th game with K'zoo South again, the scores were Hillside ____to ____(PP) and South _____ to _____.(PP)

sue wunderlich

FAVORITE TV SHOW?

Good Times pollsters surveyed the eighth and seventh grades to discover what were the favorites among tv shows.

Dianne Wrona's favorite was "Simon and Simon because I like A.J." Bob Roy liked "Candid Camera because it's just a good show." Matt Crosser liked "Hawaiian Heat. There's girls in bathing suits that have good tans," says Matt.

Cassy Meyer couldn't choose a favorite; she enjoys almost all of them. John Herbert's favorite is "TV's Practical Jokes because I like to watch people make fools out of themselves."

Heather Miles likes "Double Trouble. It's funny." Barb Kerr thinks Punky Brewster's a good show "because she's adorable." Mr. Martin's favorite is Bill Cosby "because he's a good comedian and the situations are realistic."

Janise Overton likes "MTV. It has totally awesome videos and music." Melody Emery likes "Dreams. She thinks "Blackie is a real babe."Cindy Curtis favors Silver Spoons ."Rick is cute and I love their house."

Jill Doornhaag enjoys "Punky Brewster because it's funny and Punky is cute." Angela Meeker likes Facts of Life because it's about teenagers and it's just acool show." Chris Teague likes Mr. Roger's Neighborhood" because he can spell McFry."

Daniel Fuller's favorite is "A-Team because of Mr. T." Dena Craig's favorite is Guiding Light. "I like to watch the cute guys." Missy DenHamer enjoys Fame. "I like themusic." Andy Griffith likes "Show Time. It has more than one show."

Jessica Kyriga likes Murder She Wrote. Ivy Cholier likes Magnum P.I. Laurie Kelly likes Mr. Rogers. "He teaches the alphabet perfectly."

Schenli Oliver likes "Punky Brewster because Punky is so sweet and it reminds me of Cindy Curtis." Shannon Tapper's favorite is Facts of Life. "It deals with people my age." Kara Ampey likes Dreams."I like John Stomoas. Kelly Parker likes "nothing in particular." David Quick prefers The Waltons, "because of John- Boy."

Art Steimla prefers Mr. Rogers."He is good to me." Angela Scotese agrees with Art and says "Mr. Rogers I like to hear sing and I like the neat art work." Brett Hensen likes "The Waltons "Because of John-Boy." Kelli Porth's favorite is "Dallas. The Ewings are my religion." Wendy Reinoehl enjoys' "Sesame Street because I like talking animals." David Hansen agreed with Brett Hensen adn David Quick that "John-Boy is what I like about The Waltons."

Jane McGuire likes "Dallas." Beth Hansen enjoys Dreams.Says Beth,"John Stamos looks good." Jenny Burk 's favorite is "Cosby Kids becuase it cracks me up." Tracy Barnett likes Punky Brewster. "She's so adorable."

Julie Oreskovich likes Remington Steele." The guy in it is so cute." Ken Van Horne likes Merv Griffin."He has interesting subjects." Jenny Allwelt's favorite is Miami Vice."You get to see nice looking people."

Kathy Soule said,"A-Team because it has a lot of adventure."Andy Lumm likes Polka Dot Door"because I like to listen to the story time stories." Tonya Page agrees with him and said,"I like to listen to them sing."

Nathan Beducs likes Sesame Street "I like Big Bird." Jason Coffman likes Flintstones."Barney is such a good actor." Scott Boley likes Different Strok "It's funny." Melanie Gibbs'favorite is "Jeopardy. I'm interested in trivia said Melanie.

Robins Bonarski thinks "A-Team is cool." Gabie Soto's favorite is Airwolf. Billy Curtis likes "Mr.Roger because he makes a fool out of us." Crissie Reed likes Romper Room"because I like to see munchkins make fools out of themselves."

Gus Harrell's favorite is "Hunter. He looks like Clint Eastwood." Michell Osment also likes "Polka Dot Door, for the stories." Shannon McCoy likes"Fact of Life because it's funny."

Tom Snell likes "Knight Rider. It's not boring." Karla Ruthruff likes General Hospital. Edna Tovais's favori is Cover-up "because ofthat cute guy." Jenny Burrowa thinks"Bill Cosby is really funny."

poll

poll continues...

Heath Beckstrom likes "PolkaDot Door because it's my educational level,"Robb Williams likes "Air wolf because of the helicopters"while Dawn Hunt likes it "because of the guy in the show."

Jeff Dragon, Hope Overacker,Billy Krumrei, Bryan Bly and Marc Nelson "like Bill Cosby because it's funny." Heather Smith and Kymm Herring liked "Charles in Charge because of Scott Baio and it's funny."

Kurt Klein and Nikki Curtis liked the "A-Team because there is a lot of action and violence"and they like war programs. John Robert likes "Inspector Gadget because it's a cartoon."

Becky Underwood likes"Dreams because it's a good show." Chris Date and Mike Makowski liked "Miami Vice because it's awesome"and they like violence. Don Finley likes "Voltron because he's cool and bad."

november

November Birthdays....
Happy Birthday to the following:

Michelle Overton- Nov. 2
Mr. Watterworth - Nov. 16
Mrs. Barrett- Nov. 19
Janise Overton- Nov. 16
Jeff Dragon - Nov. 9
Trevor Smith - Nov. 11
Gina Gauthier - Nov. 9
Heather Miles - Nov. 7
John Roberts - Nov. 19
Ken Aldrich - Nov. 12
Kara Ampey - Nov. 6
Brain Meeth - Nov. 20
Scott Flick- Nov. 7
Jenny Finnerman-Nov.28
Nikki Curtis - Nov. 12

RIDDLE

What begins with a B and ends with a T and can't see? (see bottom of page)

STAFF includes Gina Gauthier, Barb Kerr, Sasha Singletary,Andy Butler,Heather Miles,Marc Galbraith,Lisa Hall, Monica Bloedorn,Sue Wunderlich, Matt Holleman, Jenny Paluch, Anne Kussy, Cassy Meyers, Missy Ogden, Deb Richardson,T.Rumbaugh, Cathy Craddock.

DEAR SAM

Dear Sam:

How can you help me? I have trouble getting along with my sister's boyfriend.

D.C.

Dear D.C.:

Maybe you should be more polite to him. Think about what you're arguing about. Maybe you can stop it by telling him you're sorry for whatever you did to make him mad. I'm sure this will work.

Dear Sam:

Hi. I am new in Paw Paw. I have very few friends. No matter how I try no one cares. What should I do?

anonymous

Dear Anon:

Don't try too hard. Relax and be yourself. Perhaps you're overdoing it a bit and people are not sure how to react to you. Take it easy and be your self. Remember too it takes time to feel really at home in a new place. Before long you may feel like you've been here for years.

acid rain

Acid rain destroys the town
As it comes pouring down
People run for shelter
Everything is helter-skleter.
North, south, east or west
Anywhere else sounds best.

The clouds are gone
The sun is out
Dead flowers are scattered about.
The trees look sad,
The air smells bad.
If only less acid rain
We had had.

by jennifer hanley

(answer..bat)

Trick or Treat

On Halloween night I received such a fright
For outside my window was a skeleton's head.
When I went trick-or-treating I got a vampire bite
Or was it a werewolf?I'm afraid of lead.
As I was sleeping and wondering why
I saw wings- my gosh I can fly!
I woke up the next morning with a scream
Oh my gosh- another Halloween!

samantha Cozar

Mrs. Mahanty

Meet Mrs. Mahanty, the middle school health teacher and gym teacher. She graduated from Central Michigan University and is beginning her thirteenth year at Paw Paw.

Her hobbies include skiing, golf, paddleball, baking, drawing, knitting and painting with watercolors.Most of all,she says, "I love to travel"and hopes togo around the world this summer to learn "more about education throughout the world and for fun."

Mr. Mahanty teaches in Battle Creek and they have a son, Rabin who is five and attend Gerber Children's Center and Gagie School in Kalamazoo.

She decided to be a phys.ed. teacher when she decided it was more activity-oriented and fun than teaching other subjects.

When asked what she'd like to see student council do, she said, "use our proposal and build paddle ball courts on theplayground,another basketball court and provide an area to play volleyball. Plant trees around for beautification. It could benefit students and the community."

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computer

In this issue you can get to know the Commodore computer a little better. Since this is the first article of a series we won't go into too much detail.

computer corner

To begin with we will give you a small index of computer commands and functions.

Some people ask,"What is the Poke statement?" The answer is it is a statement that lets you find data on a memory.

Many people ask,"What does verify mean?" It means to check a program when you're done typing it.

"What is input?"is another common question. Input is when you enter data into the computer.

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Mr. Watterworth

Mr. Watterworth has been teaching math for twenty years. He says he picked math because it was his best subject in school. He also says that he like 7th grade the best because he likes the age and he thinks they're the most enthusiastic.

He has three children. Pam is 18, Greg, 15 and Kelly is ten. Mr. Watterworth says he can't stand pets but he loves to watch sports, so much that he was at the World Series October 14. He also enjoys playing golf and collecting coins.

Besides teaching, he also coaches. Mr. W.'sbirthday is November 16.

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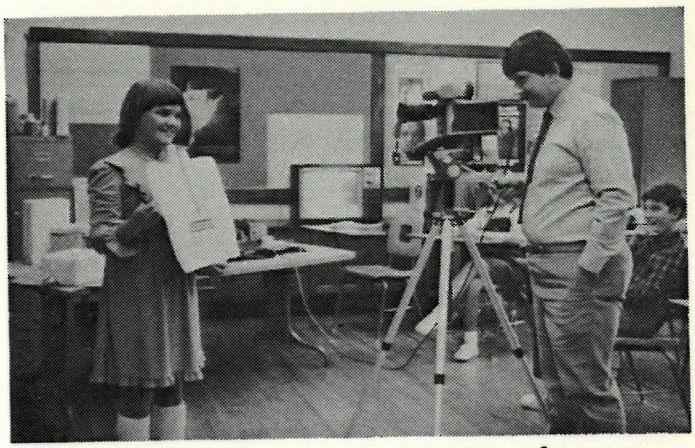

Mr. Sang's 6th grade music classes did video taped commercials that they wrote themselves. Pictured above is Jessica Brown with Mr. Sang. Her jingle follows:

"We here at Flamingo clothes company sympathize with the economic crisis. We're lowering out prices 50% and you don't have to pay a lot to look decent